

1912-013 Chancery Cases: Nancy Skidmore vs. James Skidmore  
Lee Co.

Ely

CA-Divorce



To the Honorable H. A. W. Skeen, Judge of the Circuit Court for Lee County, Virginia.

Humbly complaining your complainant, Nancy Skidmore, would respectfully represent and show unto your Honor that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1905, in the County of Hancock, Tennessee, she was married to one James Skidmore, with whom she lived one day, and the said James Skidmore wilfully deserted and abandoned your complainant without any just cause, and has ever since refused to live with your said complainant.

Your complainant alleges that said wilfull desertion has continued for more than three years before the institution of this suit; and that she is a resident and citizen of Lee County, Virginia, and has been all her life; and that the said James Skidmore is also a resident of Lee County, Virginia, and has been for several years; that your complainant and her said husband last resided together in this County; and your complainant alleges that she is entitled to a divorce, a vinculo matrimonii.

In tender consideration whereof, and for as much as she is remediless in the premises save by the aid of a Court of Equity, she prays that said James Skidmore be made a party defendant to this bill, and answer the same, but not on oath that being waived; that on a hearing your Honor grant her an absolute divorce from the said James Skidmore, and she prays for all other and further relief generally that the nature of her cause may require or to Equity seem meet. And she will ever pray, &c.

M. G. Ely

P. A.



Clerk	\$3.30
Fax	1.50
atty	15.00
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	\$20.80

Nancy Shidmore  
vs. { Bell in Chancery  
James Shidmore

1912 2nd Jan'y Rules  
Bill filed. Sp.  
executed. N.  
1st Feb. Rules  
Cause set for  
hearing.

**M. G. ELY**  
COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY  
Jonesville, Virginia



Nancy Skidmore.....Plaintiff.  
vs. } IN CHANCERY.  
James Skidmore.....Defendant.

THIS CAUSE came on this day to be heard upon the bill of complaint and depositions of witnesses filed therewith. And was argued by counsel.

On consideration of which, it appearing that process had been duly served upon the defendant, and he failing to plead, answer or demur, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that the bonds of matrimony heretofore contracted, and now existing between the plaintiff and defendant, be forever dissolved, and the plaintiff be divorced from her said husband a vinculo matrimonii, and that the plaintiff recover of the defendant the costs of this suit, to be taxed by the Clerk, for which execution may issue. And nothing further remaining to be done the cause is stricken from the docket.



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Nancy Shidmore  
vs. { Deane -  
James Shidmore  
                    

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H. A. W. D. W.

Feb. 12 - 1912 -



To James Sheatman -

Take notice that I shall, on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of Jan 1912  
at M. H. Ely's Law office in the town  
of Juresville Va.  
between the hours of 6 A. M. and 6 P. M., on that day, proceed to take the depositions  
of C. W. Ely and others, to be read in evidence in my behalf,  
in a certain suit depending in the Circuit court for the County  
of Lee wherein you are Defendant.  
and I am Plaintiff  
and if from any cause, the taking of the said depositions be not commenced on that day, or if  
commenced, be not concluded on that day, the taking of the same will be adjourned and con-  
tinued from day to day, or from time to time, at the same place and between the same hours,  
until the same shall be completed. Very respectfully,

Nancy Sheatman  
Per Counsel

*Henry Shidmore*

vs. }

NOTICE TO TAKE  
DEPOSITIONS.

*James Shidmore*

*me. 4 Eoly* p. q.

Executed Jan 19<sup>th</sup> 1912  
by delivering a true  
copy of the within notice  
to James Shidmore  
A D Robbins S S C.



The depositions of C. W. Ely, and others, taken at the Law Office of M. G. Ely, in the town of Jonesville, Virginia, on the 20th day of January, 1912, before me, James W. Orr, Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of Lee County, Virginia, pursuant to notice hereto annexed, to be read as evidence in behalf of the plaintiff in a certain Chancery suit pending in the Circuit Court of Lee County, Virginia, wherein Nancy Skidmore is plaintiff and James Skidmore is defendant.

Present: M. G. Ely, attorney for the plaintiff.

C. W. Ely, a witness of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Q. State your age, residence, occupation and whether or not you are acquainted with the parties to this suit, if so, state how long you have known them?

A. I am 39 years of age; reside Jonesville, Virginia, merchant, and am acquainted with the parties to the suit, and have known them for the last six years.

Q. State if you know when the plaintiff and defendant married?

A. I think it was about six years ago. They went to Tennessee and were married.

Q. State whether or not they lived together any length of time after their marriage, and whether or not the defendant, James Skidmore, willfully deserted and abandoned his said wife and refused to live with her?

A. As I stated before, they went to Tennessee and were married, and came back into Lee County, Virginia, to her home, and possibly stayed all night together. Next day the defendant left her, went back to his father's house and has never lived with her since, and he refuses to go back and live with her as his wife. I know of no reason that he has for deserting his



wife more than his people were opposed to the marriage.

Q. State how long this separation or desertion has continued?

A. It has continued for more than three years before the institution of this suit, in fact, it's right at six years.

Q. State whether or not the plaintiff and defendant were both citizens of Lee County, Virginia, and if so, how long have they resided here?

A. They are, and have been residents of Lee County, Virginia, for about eight or nine years to my knowledge.

And further this deponent saith not.

C. W. Ely

Sarah Ely another witness of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Q. You have heard read to you the questions and answers propounded to C. W. Ely, state whether or not you can make about the same answers to the same questions.

A. I can.

And further this deponent saith not.

Sarah Ely

State of Virginia,  
County of Lee, to-wit:

I, James W. Orr, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of Lee County, Virginia, do hereby certify that the foregoing depositions were taken, sworn to, and subscribed before me at the time and place, and for the purpose in the caption mentioned.

Given under my hand this the 20th day of January, 1912.

James W. Orr  
Commissioner in Chancery,



Nancy Shedden  
No. 1 { Deposited  
James Shedden  
                    

Filed Jan. 30, 1912  
J. D. Eddis Clerk

Witnesses. \$1.00  
Amount - 1.50



*The Commonwealth of Virginia,*

To the Sheriff of the County of Lee, Greeting:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon

*James Skidmore*

to appear at the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the county of Lee, at rules to be held for the said court, on the *30th* Monday in *Jan'y.* 191*2*, to answer a bill in chancery exhibited against *him by Nancy Skidmore*

And have then there this writ. Witness, J. D. EDDS, Clerk of our said Court, at the court-house, the *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *Jan'y.* 191*2*, and 19*16* year of the Commonwealth.

A Copy Teste:

*J. D. Edds* Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk



Marcy Skidmore

vs. { SUBPOENA  
IN CHANCERY.

James Skidmore

M. G. Ely p. q.

To 2nd Jan. Rules  
Circuit Court

1912  
Executed Jan. 12th  
1912 by delivering a true  
copy of the within  
Subpoena to E. G. Ely  
James Skidmore  
A. D. Robbins & Co.



Nancy Skidmore  
vs  
James Skidmore



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